

## STATE OF MICHIGAN

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



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July 14, 2008

TO:

Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION:

Natural Resources Commission

Transaction:

State Forest Land Acquisition

Atlanta Management Unit - Montmorency County

The Cochran Tract

Land Transaction Case #20070289

Purchase Price:

40.0 acres - \$35,000.00

Description:

Montmorency County, Montmorency Township, T32N, R04E,

the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 18.

Sellers:

Cheryl and James Cochran, Westland, Michigan

Option Expires:

August 18, 2008

Property Taxes:

\$371.00 for 2007 tax year, estimated

Authority:

Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice:

This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) August 4, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 11, 2008.

Comments:

The offered private parcel is located in northeast Montmorency County,

approximately nine miles northwest of the Village of Hillman.

The offered 40.0-acre forest recreation parcel is bordered by State-owned land on all four sides. From the nearest public road, access to this landlocked parcel is gained by traveling approximately one mile over State Forest two-track roads, and then walking over adjacent State Forest lands. The parcel is characterized by a rolling-topography, with areas of heavily-wooded northern

hardwoods interspersed with lightly vegetated lowlands.

Acquisition of this private in-holding will consolidate ownership, eliminate one-mile of private property boundary, prevent further fractionalization of the land-base, increase public recreational opportunities, and secure additional wildlife habitat.

The purchase will include all mineral rights owned by the sellers.

Recommendation:

That this tract be approved for purchase with payment to be made from the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund, under authority of Part 21, Act 451 of 1994, as amended.

David E. Freed, Chief Land and Facilities

Douglas A. Reeves, Acting Chief Wildlife

Lynne M. Boyd, Chief Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

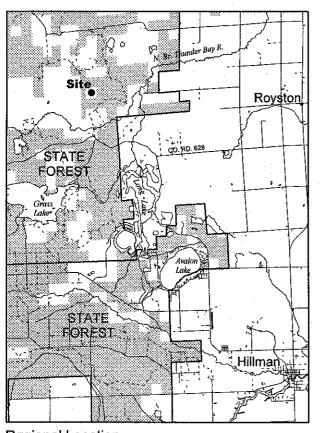
Arminda S. Koch Resource Management Deputy

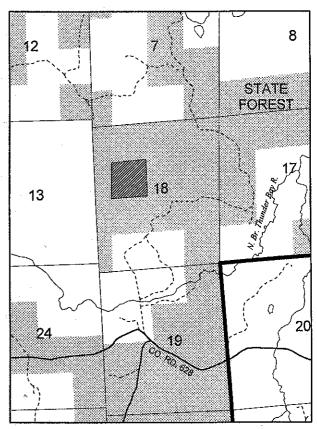
I approve the staff recommendation.

Rebecca A. Humphries Director

Date Approved

## STATE FOREST LAND ACQUISITION Atlanta Management Unit - Montmorency County Land Transaction Case #20070289





**Regional Location** 

Section 18, T32N, R04E Montmorency Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Land Offered to DNR (40.00 acres \$35,000.00)
- State Land
- Private Land



